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**FLOOR SITUATION**

On Thursday, September 24, 2015, the House will consider [S. 1707](#), *a bill to designate the Federal building located at 617 Walnut Street in Helena, Arkansas, as the "Jacob Trieber Federal Building, United States Post Office, and United States Court House,"* under suspension of the rules. S. 1707 was introduced on July 07, 2015 by Sen. John Boozman (R-AR) and passed the Senate by unanimous consent on August 05, 2015. The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure order a companion bill reported by voice vote on July 23, 2015.

**SUMMARY**

S. 1707 designates the federal building located at 617 Walnut Street in Helena, Arkansas, as the "Jacob Trieber Federal Building, United States Post Office, and United States Court House."

**BACKGROUND**

Serving from 1900 to 1927 as judge for the U.S. Circuit Court, Eastern District of Arkansas, Judge Trieber became known in judicial circles as a genius lawyer and jurist. He presided over more than 1,000 cases annually, kept his docket current, and had time to serve many assignments outside his own district.<sup>1</sup> He issued nationally important rulings on controversies, which included antitrust cases, railroad litigation, prohibition cases, and mail fraud. Some of his rulings, such as those regarding civil rights and wildlife conservation, have implications today.<sup>2</sup> Judge Trieber spent his career combatting the effects of institutional racism in the court system and defending every citizen's right to vote. He died on September 17, 1927.

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<sup>1</sup> See article - <http://www.encyclopediaofarkansas.net/encyclopedia/entry-detail.aspx?entryID=26>

<sup>2</sup> Ibid

## **COST**

A Congressional Budget Office (CBO) cost estimate is currently unavailable.

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